

Amendments to the Claims

1. (Cancelled)

2. (Previously presented) The dry measuring test device as claimed in Claim 15, wherein said light reflective particles are selected from the group consisting of titanium dioxide, zinc oxide, barium sulfate, magnesium oxide, iron (III) oxide and iron (III) hydroxide.

3. (Previously presented) The dry measuring test device as claimed in Claim 15, wherein said polymer beads contain as a main component a high molecular compound selected from the group consisting of: polymer or copolymer having as a main component monomers selected from the group consisting of acrylic acid, methacrylic acid, maleic acid, ester of these substances, styrene, and alkylstyrene; polyurethane; polyurea; polyethylene; polypropylene; and polyvinyl chloride.

4. (Previously presented) The dry measuring test device as claimed in Claim 15, wherein an average particle diameter of the polymer beads ranges from 1 to 40 μm .

5. (Previously presented) The dry measuring test device as claimed in Claim 15, wherein the light reflective particles are contained in an amount of 10 to 70 w/v% based on the total content of the polymer beads.

6. (Withdrawn) A dry measuring test device, comprising a reagent layer comprising a reagent containing a chromogen and a matrix which retains said reagent in the form of a layer, for determining a substance to be measured in a liquid sample by measuring the degree of coloring of the chromogen generated through the reaction between the substance to be measured and the reagent in terms of reflectance of light entered into the reagent layer, wherein a light blocking layer containing light blocking particles is laminated on the reagent layer.

7. (Withdrawn) The dry measuring test device as claimed in Claim 6, wherein the light blocking particles are selected from the group consisting of carbon black, iron (II) oxide, iron (II) iron (III) oxide, phthalocyanine blue, and phthalocyanine green.

8. (Withdrawn) The dry measuring test device as claimed in Claim 6, wherein the light blocking particles are contained in an amount of 15 to 90 wt% based on the total weight of the light blocking layer.

9. (Withdrawn) The dry measuring test device as claimed in Claim 6, wherein the light blocking particles are contained in the light blocking layer in the form of polymer beads embedding them.

10. (Withdrawn) The dry measuring test device as claimed in Claim 9, wherein the polymer beads contain as main component a high molecular compound selected from the group consisting of: polymer or copolymer having as the main component monomers selected from the group consisting of acrylic acid, methacrylic acid, maleic acid, ester of these substances, styrene, and alkylstyrene; polyurethane; polyurea; polyethylene; polypropylene; and polyvinyl chloride.

11. (Withdrawn) The dry measuring test device as claimed in Claim 9, wherein the light blocking particles are contained in an amount of 10 to 70 w/v% based on the total content of the polymer beads, and the polymer beads are contained in the light blocking layer in an amount of 30 to 90 wt% based on the total weight of the light blocking layer.

12. (Withdrawn) The dry measuring test device as claimed in Claim 9, wherein an average particle diameter of the polymer beads ranges from 1 to 5 μm .

13. (Withdrawn) The dry measuring test device as claimed in Claim 6, wherein the reagent layer further contains the polymer beads embedding the light reflective particles.

14. (Previously presented) The dry measuring test device as claimed in Claim 15, wherein the hydrophilic high molecular substance is a substance selected from the group consisting of hydroxypropylcellulose, methylcellulose, sodium alginate, polyvinyl alcohol, polyvinyl pyrrolidone, gelatin, modified gelatin, agar, acrylamide polymer, and agarose.

15. (Currently amended) A dry measuring test device for detecting a substance in a liquid sample by measuring the degree of reaction between the substance to be measured and a chromogenic reagent in units of reflectance of light, comprising a single reagent layer comprising (i) a reagent containing a chromogen, (ii) polymer beads embedding containing embedded light reflective particles, and (iii) a matrix comprising a hydrophilic high molecular substance and which retains matrix contains said reagent and said polymer beads, wherein the content of the polymer beads is 5 to 30 wt% of the total weight of the single reagent layer.

16. (New) The dry measuring test device as claimed in Claim 15, wherein said polymer beads containing embedded light reflective particles consist of a polymer and the light reflective particles.